## MINUTES

## JUDICIAL EVALUATION COMMISSION June 12, 2008 Administrative Office of the Courts

The public meeting of the Judicial Evaluation Commission was called to order by William C. Whitesell, Jr., Chairperson.

William C. Whitesell, Chair	Quincy Barlow	John Day	
Telford Forgety	Henrietta Grant	Barbara Haskew	
William Massey	Carol McCoy	Susan McGannon	
Roger Page	Howell Peoples	Barbara Walls	

Name in italics indicates absence from meeting.

Aaron Conklin, AOC Assistant General Counsel/Commission Staff was also present.

- Roger Page made a disclosure concerning the evaluation interview of Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Camille R. McMullen. Judge Page was one of the three finalists, along with McMullen, submitted by the Judicial Selection Commission to Governor Bredesen for appointment to the judgeship. Following discussion, the Commission determined that there was no conflict that would prohibit Judge Page from participating in the evaluation interview.
- 2. The Commission conducted the evaluation interview of Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Camille R. McMullen.
- 3. A motion to recommend the retention of Judge Camille R. McMullen was seconded and approved by a vote of 10-0.
- 4. Bill Massey was assigned the drafting of the interview section of the evaluation report.
- 5. The Commission conducted the evaluation interview of Court of Appeals Judge Steve Stafford.
- 6. A motion to recommend the retention of Judge Steve Stafford was seconded and approved by a vote of 10-0.
- 7. Aaron Conklin was assigned the drafting of the evaluation report.
- 8. The Commission discussed advertising the release of the evaluation report and the work of the Judicial Evaluation Commission. The Commission asked that a press release be sent to news outlets, bar association, voter advocacy groups and general assembly members concerning the release of evaluation reports.
- The Commission briefly discussed conducting surveys via internet website, providing
  potential to survey every lawyer rather than simply those who have appeared within a
  certain time frame.
- 10. The Commission asked that the updated Bylaws and minutes for the most recent meeting be circulated via email and voted upon by email ballot. (**UPDATE:** Minutes of the January 22, 2008 meeting were approved as were the Bylaws with suggested edits.
- 11. Having conducted all business, the meeting was adjourned.

William C. Whitesell, Jr., JEC Chairperson	Date	
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